BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2007-229-E - ORDER NO. 2007-596

SEPTEMBER 7, 2007

IN RE: Application of South Carolina Electric & Gas) ORDER GRANTING

Company for Adjustments and Increases in Its) ADMISSION PRO HAC

Electric Rate Schedules and Tariffs.) VICE

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion of J. David Black, Esquire, on behalf of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. (Wal-Mart), for Admission of Eric J. Krathwohl, Esquire, to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice*. Mr. Black petitions for Eric J. Krathwohl to appear before the Commission as counsel for Wal-Mart in the present docket regarding the application of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company for adjustments and increases in the company's electric rate schedules and tariffs.

Mr. Krathwohl is a member of the law firm of Rich May, P.C., located at 176 Federal Street – 6th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts, and is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of Massachusetts, according to Mr. Krathwohl's application for admission *pro hac vice*. Additionally, Mr. Krathwohl has included affirmation that he will comply with the applicable statutes, laws, and rules of the State of South Carolina, that he is familiar with and will comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct, and that he will submit to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

Local counsel of record associated with Mr. Krathwohl is J. David Black of the law firm of Nexsen Pruett, LLC, 1230 Main Street, Suite 700, Columbia, South Carolina.

It appears to this Commission that the proper *pro hac vice* application of Erick J. Krathwohl has been filed with the South Carolina Supreme Court and that the necessary affirmation has been made. The Deputy Clerk for Bar Admissions has certified receipt of the filing and that the filing fee has been paid. We believe that Mr. Krathwohl meets the qualifications for admission to practice before the Commission in Docket No. 2007-229-E *pro hac vice* and that he should be so admitted.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Eric J. Krathwohl, Esquire, is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of Massachusetts and through Motion of local counsel, J. David Black, has moved for *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Commission in Docket No. 2007-229-E.
- 2. Proper application has been filed, the filing fee has been paid, and the necessary affirmation has been made, as required by SCACR 404.
 - 3. Mr. Krathwohl has associated South Carolina counsel.
- 4. The Motion for *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding should be granted.

<u>ORDER</u>

The Motion of J. David Black, Esquire, for *pro hac vice* admission of Eric J. Krathwohl, Esquire, to practice before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina in Docket No. 2007-229-E is granted.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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